s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v26)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 938, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{10}{67}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S = 938 + 775.52 + 641.19 + 530.13 + 438.3 + 362.38 + 299.61 + 247.71 + 204.81 + 169.33$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS \ = \ 775.52 + 641.19 + 530.13 + 438.3 + 362.38 + 299.61 + 247.71 + 204.81 + 169.33 + 140$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 7 + 7(5) + 7(5)^{2} + 7(5)^{3} + \cdots + 7(5)^{57} + 7(5)^{58} + 7(5)^{59} + 7(5)^{60}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.